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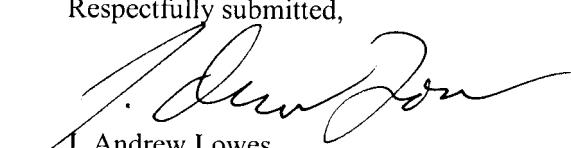
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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 24, Claim 20, line 25, the word "bane" should read as --bone--.

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